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EXAMINING GROUP 2157

PATENT
5681-07100/P7111

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Title: RELAY PEERS FOR
EXTENDING PEER
AVAILABILITY IN A
PEER-TO-PEER
NETWORKING
ENVIRONMENT

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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Final Action of September 27, 2005, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.